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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Monday, 25 September 2000

SECURITY COUNCIL

10.30 a.m. consultations of the whole (closed) Consultation Room

Afghanistan

Briefing by Mr. Francesc Vendrell, Personal Representative of the Secretary-General and Head of the Special Mission to Afghanistan

(S/2000/875)

Eritrea/Ethiopia

(S/2000/879)

Other matters

SECURITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE ESTABLISHED BY RESOLUTION 661 (1990) CONCERNING THE SITUATION BETWEEN IRAQ AND KUWAIT

4 p.m. 204th (closed) meeting* Conference Room 7

* The Chairman will give an oral briefing to interested members of the United Nations in the same conference room, immediately following the meeting. Following the oral briefing to members of the United Nations, the Chairman will give a briefing to the press.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fifth session

Committees

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	3rd meeting	Conference Room 4

1. Election of Vice-Chairmen and Rapporteur

2. Agenda items 18, 88, 89, 90 and 12 and 91

   General debate on all decolonization items: *item 18* (A/55/23 (Part II, chapters VI, IX-XI), A/55/23 (Part III, chapter XIII (D-F, H)), A/AC.109/2000/2-10, A/AC.109/2000/13-18); *item 88* (A/55/23 (Part II, chapter VIII), A/55/23 (Part III, chapter XIII (A)), A/55/77 and Add.1); *item 89* (A/55/23 (Part II, chapter V), A/55/23 (Part III, chapter XIII (B)); *item 90* (A/55/23 (Part II, chapter VII), A/55/23 (Part III, chapter XIII (C)), A/55/72 and Corr.1, A/C.4/55/CRP.1; E/2000/68); *item 91* (A/55/81 and Add. 1)

3. Documents of the Fourth Committee (A/C.4/55/INF/1)

THIRD COMMITTEE

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	3rd meeting	Conference Room 1

1. Social development, including questions relating to the world social situation and to youth, ageing, disabled persons and the family [103] (A/55/3*, A/55/74, A/55/139-E/2000/93, A/55/167, A/55/257-S/2000/766, A/C.3/55/L.2 and E/2000/9)

2. Follow-up to the International Year of Older Persons [104] (A/55/167, A/55/257-S/2000/766)

   Introductory statement and general discussion

* To be issued.

SIXTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	2nd meeting	Conference Room 2

Allocation of agenda items (A/C.6/55/2)

Organization of work (A/C.6/55/L.1)

Report of the Ad Hoc Committee established by General Assembly resolution 51/210 of 17 December 1996 (A/55/37)

Draft Comprehensive Convention on International Terrorism (A/C.6/55/1)

SIXTH COMMITTEE:

WORKING GROUP ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 51/210 OF 17 DECEMBER 1996

Morning*-1 p.m.	1st meeting (closed)	Conference Room 2
3 p.m.-6 p.m.	2nd meeting (closed)	Conference Room 2

* Following the adjournment of the 2nd meeting of the Sixth Committee.

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

Subjects

1. Executive session on meetings of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions held away from Headquarters

2. Administrative matters

ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme and of the United Nations Population Fund

Third regular session 2000

11 a.m.-1 p.m.	37th meeting	Economic and Social Council Chamber
3 p.m.-6 p.m.	38th meeting	Economic and Social Council Chamber

1. Organizational matters: Agenda and work plan for the session [1] (DP/2000/L.4)

2. UNFPA: Resource allocation system [2] (DP/FPA/2000/14)

3. UNFPA: Financial, budgetary and administrative matters [3] (DP/FPA/2000/15)

[There will be a meeting of the donors group on Monday, 25 September, at 9 a.m. in Conference Room D.]

Announcements

Information regarding the role of the United Nations in promoting development in the context of globalization and interdependence is available at the Division for ECOSOC Support and Coordination, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (room DC1-1412) or on the Web site of the Division at the following address: <www.un.org/esa/coordination/ecosoc/advsg01.pdf>.

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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Monday, 25 September 2000

GROUP OF 77
(on Fifth Committee matters)

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 5

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Announcement

As from Friday, 1 September 2000, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations, in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

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Announcement

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling (212) 963-8530.

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Tuesday, 26 September 2000

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fifth session

Committees

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

3 p.m.	4th meeting	Conference Room 4

THIRD COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	4th meeting	Conference Room 1
3 p.m.	5th meeting	Conference Room 1

SIXTH COMMITTEE:

WORKING GROUP ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 51/210 OF 17 DECEMBER 1996

10 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 2
3 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 2

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

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Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE

Delegations wishing to participate in the general debate on disarmament and international security and related agenda items are urged to kindly inscribe their names on the list of speakers with Ms. Krcalova (tel.: (212) 963-0049), as soon possible.

Delegations are reminded that names of representatives and of alternate representatives and advisers should be submitted to Mr. Kuo-Chung Lin, Secretary of the First Committee (telefax: (212) 963-5305).

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SECOND COMMITTEE

The Second Committee will begin its general debate on Monday, 2 October 2000, at 10 a.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber. The list of speakers for the general debate, and all other items allocated to the Committee, is open for inscription. Delegations wishing to be inscribed are requested to contact the secretariat of the Committee (Ms. Maria Thompson; tel.: (212) 963-2183; fax: (212) 963-5935).

Panel discussion

There will be a high-level panel on information technology and public administration in preparation for the General Assembly deliberations on globalization and interdependence, (agenda item 100), which this year will focus on information technology, on Tuesday, 26 September 2000, from 10.15 a.m. to 12.45 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

The panel will be chaired by H.E. Dr. Makarim Wibisono (Indonesia), President of the Economic and Social Council. The panellists will be Ms. Jill Velenosi, Deputy Chief Information Officer, Treasury Board Secretariat, Government of Canada; Dr. William H. Melody, Professor, Faculty of Technology, Policy and Management, Delft University of Technology (Netherlands); Mr. Subir Hari Singh, JS, Head of Electronic Governance Division, Ministry of Information Technology, Government of India; and Dr. Hisham El Sherif, Chairman, Regional Information Technology & Software Engineering Center (Egypt).

Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

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FIFTH COMMITTEE

Briefing

The Under-Secretary-General for Management, Mr. Joseph E. Connor, will brief members of the Fifth Committee on Wednesday, 27 September 2000, in the morning, following the adjournment of the 4th meeting of the Committee. The briefing will focus on three emerging management issues: Human resources management reform, capital master plan and the development of a comprehensive information technology strategy.

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GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Informal consultations on agenda item 34 (b) (Oceans and the law of the sea)

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on agenda item 34 (b) (Large-scale pelagic drift-net fishing, unauthorized fishing in zones of national jurisdiction and on the high seas, fisheries by-catch and discards, and other developments), will be held on Tuesday, 26 September 2000, and on Thursday, 28 September, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

Informal consultations on agenda item 34 (a) (Oceans and the law of the sea)

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on agenda item 34 (a) (Consideration of elements relating to oceans and seas, including improvement of coordination and cooperation), will be held on Wednesday, 27 September 2000, (on trust funds) from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room C, and on Friday, 29 September, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 2.

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SECURITY COUNCIL

The 8th (closed) meeting of the Security Council Working Group on General Issues on Sanctions will be held on Tuesday, 26 September 2000, at 3.30 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

The resumed 2000 session of the Committee on Non-governmental Organizations will be held on Wednesday, 27 September 2000, at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber, to resume consideration of item 7 (Consideration of special reports) (Transnational Radical Party).

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There will be a meeting of the Working Group on Peacekeeping Operations of the Non-Aligned Movement on Tuesday, 26 September 2000, at 10.30 a.m. in Conference Room C, and on Thursday, 28 September 2000, at 10.30 a.m. in Conference Room B.

There will be a meeting of the Working Group on Disarmament of the Non-Aligned Movement on Tuesday, 26 September 2000, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 5.

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There will be a meeting of the Group of 77 *(on Second Committee matters)* on Wednesday, 27 September 2000, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

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There will be meeting of the Arab Group *(at the ambassadorial level)* on Thursday, 28 September 2000, at 10.30 a.m. in Conference Room 7.

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Briefing

The High Commissioner for Human Rights, Mary Robinson, will brief the representatives of Member States on the World Conference against Racism on Tuesday, 26 September 2000, from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. in Conference Room 4.

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Round table

A round table on "Capacity-building for Sustainable Development and Agriculture", organized by the Permanent Mission of Italy to the United Nations, in collaboration with the Department of Tropical and Sub-tropical Agricultural Studies of the University of Catania (Italy), will be held on Tuesday, 26 September 2000, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 6. Members of permanent missions and permanent observer missions and Secretariat staff are invited to attend. The presentation will be conducted in English.

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Informal consultations

Informal consultations of interested delegations on agenda item 179 (Review of the problem of human immunodeficiency virus/acquired immunodeficiency syndrome (HIV/AIDS) in all its aspects) will be held on Thursday, 28 September 2000, from 1.30 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 5.

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World Bank Seminar

A seminar on the theme "World Development Report 2000/2001: Attacking Poverty", organized by the World Bank, will take place on Thursday, 28 September 2000, from 1.30 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 6. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff and representatives of non-governmental organizations are invited to attend.

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Workshop

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) is organizing a workshop on the structure, drafting and adoption of United Nations resolutions. The workshop, to be conducted in English, will be held on Wednesday, 4 October, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m., and on Thursday and Friday, 5 and 6 October 2000, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.

A letter on this subject, including an information note and a nomination form, was addressed to all the permanent missions. The registration deadline is Wednesday, 27 September. For further information, please contact Ms. Maud Graham (room DC1-603; tel.: (212) 963-9196).

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Briefing

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR), in cooperation with the International Monetary Fund's (IMF) Special Representative to the United Nations, is organizing a debriefing following the annual meetings of September 2000 of the IMF. The debriefing, to be conducted in English, will be held on Tuesday, 10 October 2000, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

A letter on this subject, including an information note and a nomination form, was addressed to all the permanent missions. The registration deadline is Tuesday, 3 October. For further information, please contact Ms. Cecelia Coleman (room DC1-603, tel.: 963-9684).

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Special event

The Coordination Office of the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) will host a lecture on "Intellectual Property and Development" on Tuesday, 10 October 2000, from 1.30 p.m. to 2.30 p.m. in room DC2-2525. The lecture will be delivered by Mr. Roberto Castelo, Deputy Director-General of WIPO. Prospective participants should contact Ms. Lynette Dasanayake to reserve space (tel.: (212) 963-6813; fax: (212) 963-4801).

SUMMARY OF MEETINGS

Friday, 22 September 2000

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fifth session

28th plenary meeting

Conclusion of the general debate [9]

The General Assembly heard statements by H.E. Mr. Joseph Mutaboba, Chairman of the Delegation of Rwanda; H.E. Mr. Patrick Albert Lewis, Chairman of the Delegation of Antigua and Barbuda; H.E. Mr. Hassan Gumbo Kibelloh, Chairman of the Delegation of the United Republic of Tanzania; H.E. Mr. Ignacio Arcaya, Chairman of the Delegation of Venezuela; H.E. the Honourable Anil Kumarsingh Gayan, Minister for Foreign Affairs and Regional Cooperation of Mauritius; H.E. Mr. Haile Weldensae, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Eritrea; H.E. Mr. Joël Wassi Adechi, Chairman of the Delegation of Benin; H.E. Mr. Narciso Ntugu Abeso Oyana, Chairman of the Delegation of Equatorial Guinea; and H.E. Mr. José Adán Guerra, Vice-Minister for Foreign Affairs of Nicaragua.

The President made a statement.

Statements in the exercise of the right of reply were made by the representatives of Turkey, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, the United Kingdom, the Comores, Ethiopia, Armenia, Eritrea and Azerbaijan.

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 9.

Committees

FIFTH COMMITTEE 3rd meeting

Election of a Vice-Chairman

The Committee elected, by acclamation, Mr. Collen Vixen Kelapile (Botswana) as a Vice-Chairman of the Fifth Committee.

Organization of work

The Chairman made a statement and informed the Committee of the programme of work for its next meeting to be held on Wednesday, 27 September, in the morning.

Statements were made by the representatives of Cuba, Côte d'Ivoire and Brazil.

The Secretary of the Committee replied to a question raised.

SIGNATURES, RATIFICATIONS, ETC.

[MULTILATERAL TREATIES DEPOSITED WITH THE SECRETARY-GENERAL]

International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination. New York, 7 March 1966

Signature: Comoros (22 September 2000)

Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment. New York, 10 December 1984

Signature: Comoros (22 September 2000)

International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of their Families. New York, 18 December 1990

Signature: Comoros (22 September 2000)

Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court. Rome, 17 July 1998

Signature: Comoros (22 September 2000)

Amendment to the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer. Copenhagen, 25 November 1992

Accession: Singapore (22 September 2000)*

Amendment to the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer adopted by the Ninth Meeting of the Parties. Montreal, 17 September 1997

Accession: Singapore (22 September 2000)*

Amendments to the Convention on the International Maritime Organization. (institutionalization of the Facilitation Committee). London, 7 November 1991

Acceptance: Luxembourg (22 September 2000)*

* Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

Amendments to the Convention on the International Maritime Organization. London, 4 November 1993

Acceptance: Luxembourg (22 September 2000)*

Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women. New York, 6 October 1999

Ratification: Italy (22 September 2000)*

Entry into force: 22 December 2000, *in accordance with article 16 (1) of the Protocol.*

* Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Staff Day

The events concerning United Nations Staff Day 2000 will take place on Monday, 25 September 2000, from 9 a.m. to 8.30 p.m. The flag raising ceremony in the memory of those personnel who lost their lives in the line of duty will be held from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. in the promenade of the visitors' entrance. The opening session will take place in the General Assembly Hall. The President of the Staff Union, the President of the General Assembly and the Secretary-General will address the staff. All are invited.

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Special screening

A special screening of the documentary film entitled "Crimes of Honour", organized by the Permanent Mission of the Netherlands, in cooperation with Equality Now, will take place on Tuesday, 26 September 2000, from 1 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in the Dag Hammarsjköld Library Auditorium, to be followed by a discussion with the Jordanian lawyer, Mrs. Asma Khader. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

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Global summit

A Global Summit of Polio Eradication Partners will take place on Wednesday, 27 September 2000, from 9.45 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room 1. Speakers will include Mr. Kofi Annan, Secretary-General of the United Nations; Mr. Ted Turner, Chair of the United Nations Fund for International Partnerships; Mr. Frank Devlyn, President of Rotary International; Ms. Donna Shalala, Secretary of Health and Human Services (United States); Ms. Mia Farrow, UNICEF Special Representative; Ms. Gro Harlem Brundtland, Director-General, World Health Organization; and Ms. Carol Bellamy, Executive Director of UNICEF. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

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Panel discussion

There will be a panel discussion on "Health Situation in Africa: HIV/AIDS and Other Priorities", organized by the World Health Organization, on Thursday, 28 September 2000, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 7. The panel will be chaired by Dr. Fabrizio Bassani, Executive Director, WHO Office at the United Nations. Dr. Ebrahim M. Samba, Regional Director, WHO Regional Office for Africa, will be the keynote speaker. H.E. Prof. Matia Mulumba Semakula Kiwanuka, Permanent Representative of Uganda to the United Nations, and H.E. Mr. Kiyotaka Akasaka, Ambassador, Permanent Mission of Japan to the United Nations, will co-chair the panel. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

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Chairmen of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of September 2000 has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
Kenya
Mr. Fares Kuindwa

Asian States:
Japan
H.E. Mr. Yukio Satoh

Eastern European States:
Russian Federation
H.E. Mr. Sergey Lavrov

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Barbados
H.E. Miss June Yvonne Clarke

Western European and other States:
Sweden
H.E. Mr. Pierre Schori

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